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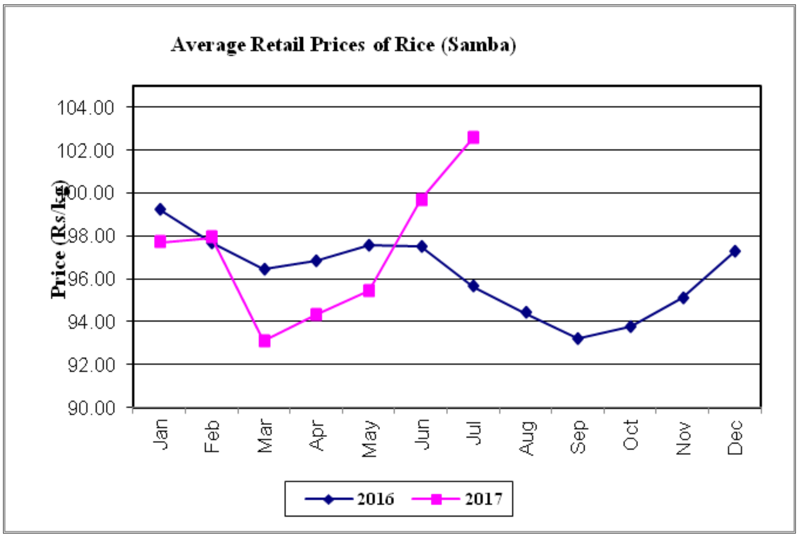
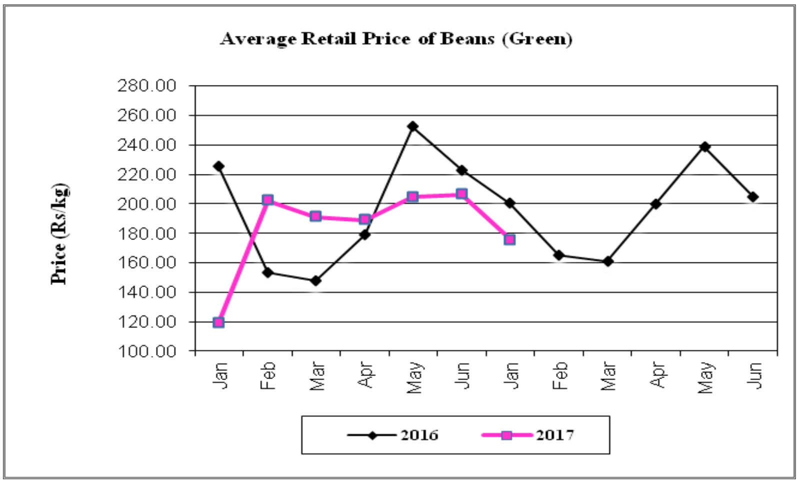
RICE:

Prices of both local and imported rice varieties have increased during the month of July. Consequently, the highest price increment of Rs.3.00/kg was reported for local samba grade I. Further, the prices of local nadu, local raw red and local raw white have increased by Rs.1.00/kg. Meanwhile the price of imported nadu has also increased by Rs.4.00/kg.

VEGETABLES:

As the first phase of the *Yala* harvesting season reached, supplies had increased from both upcountry and lowcountry producing areas, whereby prices started to drop, compared to last month for most of the varieties. Of the upcountry and lowcountry varieties, the highest price decreases were reported for beetroot and cucumber as 44% and 51%, respectively.





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1. Paddy

Crop Situation

Weather throughout the 2017 *Yala* season has been unusually dry and severe drought persisted in all major paddy producing areas like the North Central and the Eastern provinces. The prospects of paddy crop have deteriorated sharply with low water availability in major and minor irrigation reservoirs and the drought situation. Dry weather continued in most of the major producing areas throughout the month. A somewhat satisfactory progress was recorded in the Eastern province, Polonnaruwa, Hambanthota and Mahaweli Systems. According to the latest crop forecast report of the Department of Agriculture, the targeted extent downgraded and it was 400,020 ha. The cultivation progress up to end May is 263,307 ha and it is 66% of the target and is 33% lower compared to the average of last three year *Yala* seasons. Further, the report reveals that the production forecast for the *Yala* season is 1.109 million Mt, 34 percent lower than the previous *Yala* season. The harvesting of paddy crop is in progress in producing areas in the Eastern province.

Table 1.1 Progress of Paddy Cultivation: *Yala* 2017 (As at End of July 2017)

District/Area	Targeted Extent (ha)	Achievement (ha)	Achievement as a % of the Targeted Extent	Production forecast based on progress (mt)	Total Affected Extent (ha)	Expected Production Loss in Affected Area (mt)	Reversed Production forecast Adjusted to flood Damage in the Season (mt)
Anuradhapura	28,800	8,084	28	28,967	-	-	28,967
Polonnaruwa	30,000	24,791	83	110,236	4	18	110,218
Ampara	57,096	38,259	67	175,110	-	-	175,110
Kurunegala	60,393	16,997	28	59,783	1,012	1,780	58,003
Hambantota	20,267	21,482	106	94,878	1,542	6,312	88,566
Colombo	1,906	762	40	1,709	135	229	1,480
Gampaha	3,300	3,076	93	7,971	265	393	7,578
Kalutara	5,706	5,305	93	15,116	501	1,280	13,836
Galle	5,785	5,056	87	11,254	413	806	10,448
Matara	14,780	13,522	91	39,066	1,874	5,414	33,652
Ratnapura	8,453	5,384	64	16,302	282	760	15,542
Kegalle	8,675	1,926	22	5,744	-	-	5,744
Puttalam	18,082	2,221	12	6,938	-	-	6,938
Kandy	8,828	6,001	68	16,979	-	-	16,979
Matale	10,438	5,709	55	22,665	14	18	22,647
N' Eliya	3,029	1,472	49	2,897	-	-	2,897
Badulla	7,642	5,032	66	19,427	-	-	19,427
Moneragala	19,656	15,041	77	59,708	-	-	59,708
Jaffna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kilinochchi	1,608	1,617	101	6,348	-	-	6,348
Vavuniya	470	496	106	2,083	-	-	2,083
Mullaitivu	5,268	856	16	3,357	-	-	3,357
Mannar	2,762	340	12	1,416	-	-	1,416
Trincomalee	13,640	9,554	70	41,672	-	-	41,672
Batticaloa	27,955	27,914	100	102,522	-	-	102,522
Udawalawa	5,815	6,215	107	33,088	-	-	33,088
System H	6,776	8,220	121	34,029	-	-	34,029
System H1	1,810	2,899	160	12,001	-	-	12,001
System B	9,836	10,064	102	41,662	-	-	41,662
System C	9,017	11,669	129	48,307	-	-	48,307
System G	1,050	2,941	280	12,175	-	-	12,175
System D	255	242	95	1,002	-	-	1,002
Rambakenoya	397	136	34	563	-	-	563
System L	525	23	4	95	-	-	95
Sri Lanka	**400,020**	**263,307**	**66**	**1,036,135**	**6,043**	**17,010**	**1,019,125**

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2017 Department of Agriculture

Producer Prices

A slightly decreasing trend of paddy prices shows in most of the major producing areas due to the commencement of harvesting of paddy crop in 2017 *Yala* season in Akkaraipattu and Kokkadicholai producing areas in the Eastern province. The monthly average prices of long grain white paddy have decreased by 6% in Polonnaruwa and Kalawewa producing areas and prices ranged between Rs.43.00-56.00/kg in all major producing areas. The lowest prices recorded for newly harvested high moisture paddy. Prices of short grain have decreased by less than 9% in Anuradhapura, Polonnaruwa and Kalawewa and prices ranged between Rs.43.00-56.00/kg in all major producing areas. The lowest prices for short grain were recorded in Ampara. The monthly average prices of long grain red paddy have decreased by less than 6% and the prices ranged between Rs.42.00-46.00/kg in producing areas in the Southern province and the lowest price was recorded in Embilipitiya. Price of *Keeri s*amba paddy ranged between Rs.55.00-56.00/kg in major producing areas. According to the field information it is expected that paddy prices were more or less stable during next month due to the *Yala* harvest arriving to the markets.

Compared to the same period of last year, a significant increase of prices was recorded for all the paddy varieties. The prices of long grain white paddy have increased by 51%-64% and prices of long grain red paddy have increased by 47%-53% in all major producing areas. Meanwhile the prices of short grain white paddy have increased by 40%-59% in all producing areas.

Table1.2: Producer Prices of Paddy – July 2017

Commodity	Price Range		Average Price			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	June 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Short Grain									
Anuradhapura	50.00-53.00	50.00-52.00	50.97	51.30	35.93	*-0.33*	*-0.65*	*15.04*	*41.85*
Polonnaruwa	44.50-51.50	50.00-54.00	47.81	52.67	34.14	*-4.86*	*-9.23*	*13.67*	*40.05*
Kalawewa	48.00-56.25	54.70-55.00	53.31	54.78	-	*-1.47*	*-2.68*	-	-
Kurunegala	48.00-52.00	50.00-52.00	-	50.92	32.23	-	-	-	-
Dehiattakandiya	-	52.00-54.00	-	53.00	39.03	-	-	-	-
Nikaweratiya	55.00-56.00	55.00-56.00	55.81	55.63	35.17	*0.19*	*0.34*	*20.64*	*58.69*
Ampara	42.74-49.00	49.00-51.00	-	49.90	33.43	-	-	-	-
Long Grain White									
Anuradhapura	48.00-52.00	47.00-52.00	50.44	50.25	31.63	*0.19*	*0.38*	*18.81*	*59.47*
Polonnaruwa	47.50-51.00	50.00-53.50	49.09	52.46	32.58	*-3.36*	*-6.41*	*16.51*	*50.68*
Kalawewa	43.00-54.00	53.00-54.00	49.74	53.25	-	*-3.51*	*-6.59*	-	-
Kurunegala	48.00-51.00	50.00-51.00	-	50.67	32.90	-	-	-	-
Dehiattakandiya	-	52.00-53.00	-	52.50	29.40	-	-	-	-
Embilipitiya	-	-	-	-	33.67	-	-	-	-
Nikaweratiya	54.00-56.00	54.00-55.00	55.06	54.75	33.67	*0.31*	*0.57*	*21.39*	*63.54*
Matara	42.00-45.00	44.00-48.00	-	46.75	32.50	-	-	-	-
Hambantota	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Long Grain Red									
Anuradhapura	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Matara	42.00-45.00	44.00-49.00	44.08	47.08	30.00	*-3.00*	*-6.37*	*14.08*	*46.94*
Hambantota	44.00-46.00	45.00-48.00	44.90	47.00	29.33	*-2.10*	*-4.47*	*15.57*	*53.09*
Embilipitiya	42.00-46.00	45.00-48.00	44.16	46.60	29.20	*-2.44*	*-5.24*	*14.96*	*51.23*

Source: Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Rice Demand and Supply Situation

Wholesale Prices

Since, last two months, prices of local rice varieties have shown an increasing trend till the beginning of July. However, since mid July wholesale prices of most of the local rice varieties have slightly decreased as a result of new market arrivals. Consequently, price of local raw red has decreased by 3% and the price ranged between Rs.76.00-83.00/kg. Furthermore, prices of both local samba grade I and local raw white have decreased by 1%. However, the price of local nadu has increased by 1% and the price ranged between Rs.85.00-92.00/kg. Further, price of local samba grade II has also increased slightly and it was not a significant change. Meanwhile, a total of 51,697mt. quantity of rice, worth of 3,374mn. had been imported in the month of July. Compared to last month, rice imports for the month of July have increased by three times. So far since the beginning of 2017, total of 397,095mt. of rice had been imported to the country. Out of total imports for the month of July, 44,582mt. comprised raw white, nadu and *ponni* samba. Among these three rice varieties, majority (19,034mt) was *ponni* samba, and the rest comprised nadu (17,116mt.) and raw white (8,432mt.). Further, 506mt. and 6,610mt. had been imported as Basmati and broken rice respectively. Compared to the previous month, imported quantity for broken rice has increased by a massive scale, which was 6,561mt. This was due to the reduction of special commodity levy to Rs.5.00/kg by the government with effect on 01st of July 2017.

Meanwhile, the prices of all imported rice varieties have increased slightly during the month of July. Accordingly, imported *ponni* samba has increased by 1%. Further, prices of both imported raw white and imported nadu have increased less than 1%. All *ponni* samba and nudu varieties were imported from India. Few quantities of *ponni* samba were also imported from China. Likewise, few quantities of nadu were imported from Myanmar as well. The highest portion of 67% of raw white had been imported from Myanmar. The rest was imported from India (30%) and Singapore (3%). The average CIF price for both *ponni* samba and imported nadu was Rs.68.00/kg. Apart from these three varieties, the highest quantity of Basmati was imported from Thailand and Pakistan. In addition, few quantities were also imported from India, China and the United States as well. The average CIF price for Basmati was Rs.122.00/kg. The highest quantity of broken rice was imported from India (96%). The rest was imported from Myanmar and China. The CIF price for broken rice ranged between Rs.50.00-55.00/kg and the average CIF was Rs.55.00/kg.

Compared to the same period of last year, wholesale prices of all local rice varieties have increased in the range of 14%-26%, whilst the price of imported samba has decreased by 30%.

Retail Prices

Retail prices of both local and imported rice varieties have increased during the month of July. Accordingly, the highest price increment of Rs.3.00/kg was reported for local samba grade I and the price ranged between Rs.100.00-115.00/kg. Second highest price increment of Rs.2.00/kg was reported for local samba grade II. Other than samba varieties, prices of local nadu, local raw red and local raw white have increased by Rs.1.00/kg. Apart from local varieties, the highest price increment of Rs.4.00/kg was reported for imported nadu and the price ranged between Rs.80.00-90.00/kg. Price of imported raw white has also increased by Rs.2.00/kg. Further the price of imported *ponni* samba has also increased by Rs.1.00/kg.

Referring to retail prices of outstation markets except Colombo, the highest samba prices ranged between Rs.100.00-105.00/kg and it was reported from Kegalle market, while the lowest price ranged between Rs.93.00-95.00/kg from Killinochchi and Trincomalee markets. The highest nadu price ranged between Rs.97.00-99.00/kg was reported from Kandy market, while the lowest price ranged between Rs.80.00-83.00/kg from Mannar market. The highest price of Rs.95.00/kg for raw red was reported from Dambulla market, while the lowest price of Rs.80.00/kg was reported from Embilipitiya market. Furthermore, the highest price of Rs.92.00/kg for raw white was reported from Kegalle market, while the lowest price of Rs.80.00/kg was reported from Ampara market.

Compared to the same period of last year, the retail prices of all the local rice varieties have increased in the range of 14%-48%. However, the price of *ponni* samba has decreased by 30%.

Table 1.3: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Rice – July 2017

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Samba 1	96.00-100.00	98.27	99.15	85.99	*-0.88*	*-0.89*	*12.28*	*14.28*
Samba 2	90.00-96.00	93.57	93.38	77.82	*0.20*	*0.21*	*15.76*	*20.25*
Samba 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nadu 1		-	-	71.93	-	-	-	-
Nadu 2	85.00-92.00	89.08	88.42	67.71	*0.66*	*0.75*	*21.37*	*31.56*
Raw red	76.00-83.00	79.99	82.57	54.19	*-2.58*	*-3.12*	*25.80*	*47.61*
Raw white	80.00-88.00	84.24	84.79	60.00	*-0.54*	*-0.64*	*24.24*	*40.40*
Imported Samba	75.00-81.00	78.18	77.18	111.47	*1.00*	*1.29*	*-33.29*	*-29.87*
Imported Raw White	65.00-80.00	71.91	71.79	-	*0.12*	*0.17*	-	-
Imported Nadu	70.00-80.00	76.73	76.57	-	*0.17*	*0.22*	-	-
Retail Prices								
Samba 1	100.00-115.00	106.81	103.40	100.00	*3.41*	*3.30*	*6.81*	*6.81*
Samba 2	95.00-100.00	98.34	95.95	91.28	*2.38*	*2.48*	*7.06*	*7.73*
Samba 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nadu 1	-	-	-	80.69	-	-	-	-
Nadu 2	88.00-100.00	96.01	95.48	74.17	*0.53*	*0.56*	*21.84*	*29.45*
Raw red	80.00-100.00	89.80	89.17	64.74	*0.63*	*0.71*	*25.06*	*38.71*
Raw white	80.00-100.00	91.36	90.65	71.13	*0.71*	*0.78*	*20.23*	*28.45*
Imported *Ponni* Samba	80.00-95.00	86.82	86.08	121.69	*0.74*	*0.85*	*-34.87*	*-28.66*
Imported Raw White	70.00-90.00	79.18	77.35	-	*1.83*	*2.37*	-	-
Imported Nadu	80.00-90.00	86.88	83.04	-	*3.84*	*4.62*	-	-

Source: Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

2. Other Field Crops

2.1 Chillies

Crop Situation

About 3,365 ha of green chillie had been cultivated by the end of July, which represent 64% achievement in extent from the targeted extent of 5,272ha. However, compared to the same season last year, it is only a 48% achievement in extent. The highest target (623 ha) and the achievement (469 ha) had been reported from Puttalam and it represents 13% of total cultivated land area. Other major growing areas were Anuradhapura (257 ha), Batticaloa (226 ha), Moneragala (206 ha), Badulla (157 ha) and Hambantota (159 ha). Furthermore, the highest cultivation progress was reported from Batticaloa (113%) and Hambantota (96%). Approximately, 14,715 mt of harvest is expected from the available cultivated extent of green chillie, according to the Crop Forecast by the Department of Agriculture and it is a 68% progress compared to the production of *Yala* 2016.

Table 2.1.1: Cultivation Progress of Green Chillies for *Yala* 2017

Areas	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress as at the end of July 2017		Expected Production (Mt)
		Extent (ha)	% of the Targeted Extent	
Puttalam	623	469	75	3,767
Anuradhapura	586	257	44	1,428
Moneragala	397	206	52	1,376
Kandy	332	130	39	628
Kurunegala	318	169	53	292
Ampara	248	153	62	429
Batticaloa	200	226	113	567
Hambantota	166	159	96	672
Other areas	2,402	1,596	66	5,556
Total	**5,272**	**3,365**	64	**14,715**

Source: Crop Forecasting Unit, Department of Agriculture

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Average producer price of green chillie was Rs.265.00/kg and it has decreased by 21% compared to last week. The highest producer price of Rs.300.00/kg was reported from Anuradhapura, while the lowest producer price of Rs.201.00/kg was reported from Dambulla. All the major producing areas showed higher producer prices at the end of month.

In line with the producer prices, wholesale price has decreased by 24% and the average price was Rs.265.00/kg. Considering the retail price, it has decreased by Rs.133.00/kg and the price has ranged between Rs.300.00- 620.00/kg. Compared to the same period last year, both wholesale and retail prices have decreased by 52% and 48%.

A quantity of 4,004 mt of dried chillie had been imported in the month of July from India. CIF price has further increased by Rs.3.00/kg and the average price was Rs.127.00/kg. Consequently, wholesale price has increased by 5% and the average price was Rs.168.00/kg. Moreover, retail price of dried chillie has increased by only 1% and the price has ranged between Rs.190.00-280.00/kg. However, wholesale price of dried chillie has decreased by 43% compared to July, 2016 and the retail price has decreased by 37% compared to that period.

Table 2.1.2: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Dried Chillies and Green Chillies
July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Price								
Green Chillies	200.00-320.00	264.83	348.16	555.26	*-83.32*	*-23.93*	*-290.43*	*-52.30*
Dried Chillies	160.00-180.00	168.02	160.38	295.75	*7.64*	*4.76*	*-127.73*	*-43.19*
Retail Price								
Green Chillies	300.00-620.00	441.94	575.06	850.87	*-133.11*	*-23.15*	*-408.93*	*-48.06*
Dried Chillies	190.00-280.00	232.12	230.27	*370.97*	*1.85*	*0.80*	*-138.85*	*-37.43*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.1.3: Quantity, Value and CIF Prices of Imported Dried Chillies February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt)	Value (Rs.mn.)	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July	4,004	509.13	127.15	232.12	104.97
June	3,181	393.87	123.83	230.27	106.44
May	4,321	526.72	121.88	241.70	119.81
April	3,237	414.84	128.16	257.93	129.77
March	6,048	932.54	154.18	269.67	115.49
February	3,921	637.03	162.48	283.58	121.10

Source: Department of Customs, Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.1.4: Producer Prices of Green Chillies (Rs/kg) – July 2017

Location	1st week	2nd week	3rd week	4th week	5th week
Dambulla	216.00	201.00	240.00	257.00	310.00
Hambantota	-	-	290.00	290.00	290.00
Embilipitiya	275.83	287.50	252.50	305.00	315.00
Puttalam	-	266.00	216.00	216.00	244.00
A'Pura	243.33	296.67	280.00	243.33	300.00

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

2.2 Big Onion and Red Onion

Crop situation

In the Matale district about 1,221 ha had been cultivated representing 38% of the targeted extent by the end of July 2017. About a 17% decrease in the cultivated extent was observed in the Matale district against the previous *Yala* season due to prevailed drought condition and high cost of production. About 63% of the cultivation out of the total cultivated lands has taken place in July. Dambulla, Sigiriya, Galewela and Dewahuwa are the major big onion producing areas in Matale district.

Table 2.2.1: Cultivation Progress of Big Onion in Matale District

Areas	2016 *Yala*						2017 *Yala*						Change Compared to last year %
	Target (ha)	April	May	June	July	Total	Target (ha)	April	May	June	July	Total	
Dambulla	1,100	4.5	25	80	410	519.5	1,175	-	4	186.9	275.1	466	-10.3
Sigiriya	850	-	-	198	307	505	900	2	2	164	213.8	381.8	-24.4
Galewela	400	-	20	-	180	200	529	-	2	3.7	133.1	138.8	-31
Dewahuwa	210	-	-	8	81	89	210	-	5	35.9	31.9	72.8	-18.2
Other areas	440	-	4	7	154	165	436	0.4	-	45.3	115.9	161.6	-2
Total	**3,000**	**4.5**	**49**	**293**	**1,132**	**1,478.5**	**3,250**	**2.4**	**13**	**435.8**	**769.8**	**1,221**	**-17.4**

Source: Field Data MFPAD/HARTI

It is predicted that the big onion production will be nearly 24,420 mt in Matale district and out of that 69% is expected from Dambulla and Sigiriya areas. However, expected production of big onion during this season in Matale district has also dropped by about 17% when compared to that of the previous *Yala* season due to decreased cultivated extent. About 5% of the production would be harvested in August, 32% in September, 52% in October and 11% in November. October will be the peak harvesting season due to cultivation delay at the beginning of the season.

Table 2.2.2: Expected Production of Big Onion in Matale District 2017 *Yala* (Mt)

Areas	August	September	October	November	Total Production	Change Compared to last year 1%
Dambulla	454	3,364	4,677	825	9,320	-9.5
Sigiriya	408	2,952	3,570	706	7,636	-24.4
Galewela	47	67	1,997	665	2,776	-31
Dewahuwa	172	646	510	128	1,456	-22
Other areas	98	816	1,854	464	3,232	-2.1
Total	**1,179**	**7,845**	**1,208**	**2,788**	**24,420**	**-17.2**

Source: Field Data MFPAD/HARTI

In Anuradhapura district about 297 ha had been cultivated representing 33% of the total targeted extent by the end of July 2017. About 68% decrease in the cultivated extent was also observed in the Anuradhapura district against the previous *Yala* season due to drought weather condition. Expected production of big onion in Anuradhapura district has also dropped by about 25% when compared to that of the previous *Yala* season and peak harvesting will take place during the month of October. Cultivated extent and expected production of big onion from Mahaweli – H area has also dropped during this *Yala* season compared to that of the previous year.

Cultivation Progress of Red Onion for *Yala* 2017

Areas	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress at the end of July 2017		Expected Production (mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the target	
Jaffna	2,225	1,169	53	10,775
Puttlam	551	494	90	7,810
Trincomalee	249	138	55	1,360
Vavuniya	375	81	22	925
Moneragala	233	49	21	436
Other Areas	842	277	33	2,405
Total	**4,475**	**2,208**	**49**	**23,711**

Source: Crop Forecast No.3, Yala 2017, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA MFPAD/HARTI

The cultivated extent of red onion for this *Yala* season was not at a satisfactory level and 2,208 ha had been cultivated by the end of July representing only 49% of the targeted extent in Sri Lanka. The highest cultivated extent was reported from Jaffna (1169 ha) followed by Puttlam (494 ha). However, when compared to the previous *Yala* season. Cultivated extent of red onion in Jaffna district has dropped by about 41% and 9% in Puttlam district. The production forecast of red onion of this *Yala* season is about 23711 mt and out of that around 78% was supplied from Jaffna (45%) and Puttlam (33%) districts.

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

A quantity of 20,552 mt of big onion was imported in July 2017 which was about 2,194 mt lesser compared to the previous month. Out of the total imported big onion stocks, 99% was imported from India and 1% was imported from Pakistan and China. Average CIF price was Rs.31.88/kg and it has increased by about Rs.1.47/kg against the previous month. Both wholesale and retail prices of imported big onion have decreased by about Rs.2.00/kg and Rs.1.00/kg respectively due to availability of sufficient stocks at the market. Compared to the same period of last year, both wholesale and retail prices of imported big onion have increased by about 20% and 11% respectively. Stocks of local big onion will be supplied to the market during next month (August).

Supplies of vedalan red onion from Puttlam and other producing areas have increased during this month with the commencement of harvesting season. Hence, both wholesale and retail prices of vedalan have decreased significantly by about Rs.131.00/kg and Rs.122.00/kg respectively. Prices of local red onion will decrease further during coming months with the increase of supply from main producing areas.

About 471 mt of red onion were imported during this month and it was a decrease of 568 mt compared to the previous month. About 94% of the red onion was imported from India and the rest 6% was imported from Thailand. Average CIF price was Rs.136.68/kg and it was a decrease of Rs.33.49/kg compared to that of last month. Both wholesale and retail prices of imported red onion have also decreased by about Rs.44.00/kg and Rs.29.00/kg respectively with availability of sufficient stocks of local red onion at the market.

Compared to the same period of last year, retail prices of both vedalan and imported red onion have increased by about 57% and 120% respectively.

Table 2.2.3: Wholesale Prices and Retail Prices of Red Onion and Big Onion
July 2017

Crop	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Red Onion (Sinnan)	80.00-100.00	93.33	-	78.75	-	-	*14.58*	*18.52*
Red Onion (Vedalan)	90.00-350.00	194.85	325.60	111.98	*-130.75*	*-40.16*	*82.87*	*74.00*
Red Onion (Imported)	180.00-350.00	256.39	300.28	95.91	*-43.89*	*-14.62*	*160.48*	*167.33*
Big Onion (imported)	65.00-85.00	71.97	74.08	60.22	*-2.10*	*-2.84*	*11.75*	*19.52*
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Prices								
Red Onion (Sinnan)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red Onion (Vedalan)	150.00-500.00	302.86	425.18	192.81	*-122.32*	*-28.77*	*110.05*	*57.08*
Red Onion (Imported)	200.00-400.00	329.44	358.61	149.95	*-29.17*	*-8.13*	*179.49*	*119.70*
Big Onion (imported)	80.00-140.00	96.33	97.25	86.66	*-0.92*	*-0.94*	*9.67*	*11.16*
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.2.4: Monthly Average CIF, Wholesale and Retail Prices of Imported Onion

Crop	Month	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Wholesale Price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Margin (Rs/kg)	
					WP-CIF	RP-WP
Big onion	July 2017	31.61	71.97	96.33	*40.36*	*24.36*
	June 2017	30.41	74.08	97.25	*43.67*	*23.17*
	July 2016	31.20	60.22	86.66	*29.02*	*26.44*
Red onion	July 2017	137.59	256.39	329.44	*118.80*	*73.05*
	June 2017	170.17	300.28	358.61	*130.11*	*58.33*
	July2016	64.92	95.91	149.95	*30.99*	*54.04*

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.2.5: Quantity, Value and CIF Prices of Imported Big Onion and Red Onion

Crop	Quantity (mt.)		Value (Rs. mn)		CIF Price (Rs/kg)	
	July 2017	June 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2017	June 2017
Red Onion	471	1,039	64.41	176.77	136.68	170.17
Big Onion	20,552	22,746	655.13	691.60	31.88	30.41

Source: Department of Custom

Table 2.2.6: Quantity Imported, CIF Price, Wholesale and Retail Price of Big Onion February to July 2017

Month	Quantity Imported (mt)	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Wholesale Price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (RP-CIF) (Rs/kg)
July	20,552	31.88	71.97	96.33	64.46
June	22,746	30.41	74.08	97.25	66.84
May	21,555	28.69	67.35	96.33	67.64
April	20,169	31.47	72.28	99.33	67.86
March	21,721	29.89	71.38	95.60	65.71
February	20,018	28.27	70.88	96.57	68.30

Source: Department of Customs

2.3 Potato

Crop Situation and Progress

The targeted extent of potato for *yala* 2017 is 3,028 ha and about 1,432 ha were cultivated in the country by the end of July achieving 47% of the targeted extent. Though the cultivated extent was low in April to June of this *yala* season, the extent of potato cultivated in July was high, which was recorded as 784 ha. Compared to the same period of *yala* 2016, the cultivated extent has decreased by 53% in *yala* 2017 due to prevailing dry weather condition.

In the Nuwara Eliya district, the targeted extent is 865 ha for this *yala* season and in the Badulla district, it was reported as 2,145 ha. In the Nuwara Eliya and Badulla districts, about 595 ha and 837 ha were cultivated by the end of this month achieving 69% and 39% of the targeted extent. The extent of potato cultivated in July was at a high level compared to the previous months of this *yala* season in both Nuwara Eliya and Badulla districts. In both districts, the cultivated extents were at a low level during this *yala* season compared to the same period of last *yala* season. According to the cultivated extent up to end of this month, the expected production of potato is 23,187 mt for this *yala* season.

Table 2.3.1: Cultivation Progress of Potato (*Yala* 2017)

District	Targeted Extent (ha)		Achievement (ha)		Progress (%)	Expected Production Mt
	Yala 2016*	*Yala* 2017	*Yala* 2016*	*Yala* 2017	*Yala* 2017	
N'Eliya	1,285	865	864	595	69	10,449
Badulla	2,045	2,145	2,181	837	39	12,737
Sri Lanka	**3,330**	**3,028**	**3,046**	**1,432**	**47**	**23,187**

Source: MFPAD/HARTI
Crop Forecast No.3, Yala 2017, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA
****Crop Forecast No.3, Yala 2016, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA***

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

A quantity of 11,483 mt of potato had been imported in July which was 3,744 mt lower than that was imported during the previous month. Imported stocks were received from China (78%), India (12%) and Pakistan (10%) during this month. Compared to July, 2016 (14,862 mt), the imports were low during this month. Average CIF price was Rs.36.00/kg in July.

Both local and imported stocks were available in the market. With regard to local potato, the stocks of Welimada potato was not available in the market. Only stocks supplied from Nuwara Eliya were available in the market. Wholesale price of Nuwara Eliya potato has increased by 6%, while the retail price has decreased by 1%. On average, the producer price of Nuwara Eliya potato was Rs.123.00/kg in July. Meanwhile, the wholesale imported potato has increased by 8%, while the retail price has decreased by 3%. During the month, the wholesale prices of Nuwara Eliya and imported potatoes ranged between Rs.120.00-150.00/kg and Rs.70.00-135.00/kg respectively. Compared to the same period of last year, the current retail price of Nuwara Eliya (6%) and imported (2%) potatoes have decreased. Supply of local potato will be low till the commencement of harvesting season and the prices of local potatoes are expected to increase further in August.

Table 2.3.2: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Potatoes February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July	11,483	419.32	36.52	112.13	*75.61*
June	15,227	643.34	42.25	115.84	*73.59*
May	12,903	473.86	40.27	121.48	*81.22*
April	10,587	340.24	32.14	117.58	*85.44*
March	11,898	354.90	29.83	110.06	*80.23*
February	11,700	321.71	23.13	105.61	*82.48*

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table: 2.3.3: Producer, Wholesale and Retail prices of Potato – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Producer Prices (PP)								
Welimada	-	-	102.00	127.30	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	105.00-135.00	123.20	122.50	124.16	*0.70*	*0.57*	*-0.96*	*-0.78*
Imported – CIF	31.32-56.19	36.52	42.25	-	*-5.73*	*-15.70*	-	-
Wholesale Prices (WP)								
Welimada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	120.00-150.00	137.00	129.34	155.44	*7.66*	*5.59*	*-18.44*	*-13.46*
Imported	70.00-135.00	87.14	80.07	82.21	*7.07*	*8.12*	*4.92*	*5.65*
Retail Prices (RP)								
Welimada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	160.00-200.00	182.06	184.74	193.18	*-2.68*	*-1.47*	*-11.12*	*-6.11*
Imported	90.00-140.00	112.13	115.84	114.10	*-3.71*	*-3.31*	*-1.97*	*-1.76*
Gross Margin (RP-PP)								
Welimada		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		58.86	62.24	69.02	*-3.38*	*-5.74*	*-10.16*	*-17.26*
Imported (CIF-RP)		75.61	73.59	-	*2.02*	*2.68*	-	-
Gross Margin (RP -WP)								
Welimada		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		45.06	55.40	37.74	*-10.34*	*-22.94*	*7.32*	*16.25*
Imported		24.99	35.77	31.89	*-10.78*	*-43.14*	*-6.89*	*-27.58*

Source: Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

2.4 Green gram and Cowpea

Crop Situation and Progress

Total targeted extent of green gram for *Yala*, 2017 was 13,762 ha and only 41% target achievement was reported by the end of July. It was 5,584 ha and more than 57% of contribution to the total cultivated extent was given from Hambantota, which has reported 3,162 ha of cultivated extent of green gram. Other areas had comparatively lower cultivated extents and out of them major areas were Kurunegala (390 ha), Moneragala (320 ha), Ampara (204 ha) and Anuradhapura (172 ha). Expected production of green gram according to the achievement was 7,932 mt and it was recorded as 121% production progress compared to the same period in *Yala*, 2016.

By the end of July, 2,815 ha of cowpea have been cultivated out of the targeted extent of 6,759 ha. It was 42% achievement in extent compared to the target and it was reported as 96% progress compared to the same period last year. Approximately a 46% contribution to the total extent was given from Ampara and other major cultivated areas were Moneragala, Kurunegala, Batticaloa and Hambantota. Interestingly, cultivated extent in Hambantota has doubled from the targeted extent. With respect to the achievement, expected production has recorded 3,801 mt.

Table 2.4.1: Cultivation Progress and Expected Production of Green gram and Cowpea (*Yala 2017*)

Crop	District	Targeted Ext. (ha)		Achievement (ha)		Progress (%)	Expected production
		***Yala* 2016**	***Yala* 2017**	***Yala* 2016**	***Yala* 2017**	***Yala* 2017**	
Green gram	Hambantota	1,832	7,153	722	3162	44	716
	Kurunegala	833	644	626	390	61	281
	Moneragala	1,525	1,891	1,773	320	17	317
	Sri Lanka	**8,709**	**13,762**	**5,677**	**5,584**	**41**	**7,932**
Cowpea	Ampara	3,954	3,805	1,519	1,303	34	1,954
	Moneragala	807	762	844	534	70	670
	Anuradhapura	154	142	123	48	34	59
	Sri Lanka	**6,890**	**6,759**	**3,708**	**2,815**	**42**	**3,801**

***Source:** MFPAD/HARTI*
Crop Forecast, Yala, 2017, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA
**Crop Forecast, Yala 2016, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA*

Prices and Supply Demand Situation

A quantity of 1,031 mt green gram had been imported from several countries and 56% of the total quantity had received from Australia and that of 14% from Argentina, 11% from Uzbekistan, 7% from Afghanistan, 5% from India and Myanmar and another 2% from Turkey. Out of these importers, highest CIF price is from India (Rs.164.00/kg), whilst the lowest was recorded from Uzbekistan (Rs.147.00/kg). However, average CIF price was Rs.156.00/kg, decreased by 2%. In line with that, wholesale price has decreased by 4% and the average wholesale price was Rs.212.00/kg. Despite, no significant change in the price has ranged between Rs.220.00-290.00/kg. Compared to the same period last year, both wholesale and retail prices have increased by 22% and 5% respectively.

Considering cowpea, around 50% of total imported quantity of white cowpea had been imported from Madagascar and 40% from Myanmar. Approximately 11% from the total imported quantity was received from China for a higher CIF price of Rs.177.00/kg. However, the average CIF price was Rs.139.00/kg. Total imported quantity of white cowpea in July was 236 mt. Wholesale price of white cowpea has decreased by 1% due to availability of local production in the market and the average price was Rs.223.00/kg. However, retail price has increased by Rs.5.00/kg and the price has ranged between Rs.260.00-360.00/kg. Conversely, wholesale price of red cowpea has increased insignificantly and the retail price has decreased by Rs.3.00/kg. Wholesale price of white cowpea has not changed significantly compared to the same period last year, while the price of red cowpea has increased by 47%. Furthermore, retail prices of both white and red cowpea had increased by 18% and 38% respectively.

Table 2.4.2: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Green gram February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July	1,031	160.57	155.76	249.56	93.80
June	1,694	267.98	158.19	249.99	91.79
May	1,183	177.68	150.17	250.02	99.85
April	917	139.13	151.77	250.80	99.03
March	1,922	278.89	145.09	240.83	95.74
February	1,509	216.58	143.53	237.78	94.25

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.4.3: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Cowpea February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July	236	32.90	139.39	302.22	162.83
June	359	50.40	140.37	296.90	156.54
May	443	61.28	138.32	296.59	158.28
April	1,072	152.23	142.06	303.53	161.47
March	829	105.75	127.57	295.93	168.36
February	352	43.58	123.74	275.03	151.29

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.4.4: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Green gram and Cowpea – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Green gram	200.00-225.00	212.06	221.92	173.33	-9.86	-4.44	38.73	22.34
Cowpea (White)	215.00-235.00	222.61	225.54	223.67	-2.92	-1.30	-1.06	-0.47
Cowpea (Red)	240.00-300.00	268.21	266.96	182.19	1.25	0.47	86.02	47.22
Retail Prices								
Green gram	220.00-290.00	249.56	249.99	236.61	-0.42	-0.17	12.95	5.48
Cowpea (White)	260.00-360.00	302.22	296.90	255.50	5.32	1.79	46.72	18.29
Cowpea (Red)	300.00-380.00	337.22	340.52	243.52	-3.30	-0.97	93.70	38.48

Source: Marketing Food Policy & Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.4.5: Monthly Average CIF, Wholesale and Retail Prices of Green gram And Cowpea

Crop	Month	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Wholesale price (Rs/kg)	Retail price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/Kg)	
					WP-CIF	RP-WP
Green gram	July 2017	155.76	212.06	249.56	56.30	37.50
	June 2017	158.19	221.92	249.99	63.73	28.06
	July2016	166.03	173.33	236.61	7.30	63.28
Cowpea (White)	July 2017	139.39	222.61	302.22	83.22	79.61
	June2017	140.37	225.54	296.90	85.17	71.36
	July2016	223.67	223.67	255.50	0.00	31.83
Cowpea (Red)	July 2017	-	268.21	337.22	-	69.01
	June 2017	-	266.96	340.52	-	73.55
	July 2016	-	182.19	243.52	-	61.33

Source: Department of Customs, Marketing Food Policy & Agribusiness Division/HARTI

2.5 Red dhal

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Imported quantity of red dhal in the month of July had increased by 2,049 mt and the imported quantity was 12,016 mt. Out of that quantity, around 9,081 mt was whole type red dhal and the rest was split type red dhal. Around 90% of the whole type red dhal was received from Australia and 10% had been imported from Canada. Considering split type red dhal, Canada has given 56% contribution to the total imported quantity and other major importers were United Arab Emirates (25%), India (15%) and Australia (4%). Meanwhile, the average CIF price of whole type red dhal was Rs.102.00/kg and it was Rs.121.00/kg for split type red dhal. Highest CIF price of split type red dhal was observed from Canada, which was 130.00/kg while, the lowest was Rs.107.00/kg which was recorded from the stocks received from the United Arab Emirates.

Furthermore, wholesale price of red dhal has decreased by 2% in July and the average price was Rs.138.00/kg. However, retail price has not changed significantly and the price has ranged between Rs.150.00- 180.00/kg. Both wholesale and retail price has decreased by 22% and 16%, compared to the same period last year.

Table 2.5.1: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Red dhal – July 2017

Red Dhal	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Price	130.00-142.00	137.59	140.47	176.80	-2.89	-2.05	-39.21	-22.18
Retail Price	150.00-180.00	159.18	159.55	189.76	-0.37	-0.23	-30.58	-16.11

Source: Marketing Food Policy & Agribusiness Division

Table 2.5.2: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Red dhal February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt)	CIF Price Rs/kg	Wholesale price Rs/kg	Retail price Rs/kg	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)	
					CIF-WP	WP-RP
July	12,016	106.83	137.59	159.18	30.75	21.59
June	9,967	102.53	140.47	159.55	37.94	19.08
May	8,832	103.93	140.26	161.52	36.33	21.27
April	10,046	112.08	140.41	162.43	28.33	22.02
March	19,421	104.45	141.32	163.20	36.87	21.88
February	14,562	112.61	142.65	165.23	30.04	22.58

Source: Department of Customs, Marketing Food Policy & Agribusiness Division/HARTI

3. Vegetables

Crop Situation

According to the Department of Meteorology data, during the month of July, a below average rainfall was experienced in almost all the major producing districts. Meanwhile, commencement of the harvesting was observed in the early - established fields in all the major producing areas. The most important districts for upcountry vegetable production, Nuwara Eliya, and Badulla reported a cultivation progress of 65% and 49% respectively for upcountry varieties, of the seasonal target, by the end of July. Yet, these figures were considerably low, compared to last years' cultivation progress values of over 100%, reported by the end of July, for both Nuwara Eliya, and Badulla districts. Delayed commencement of the season had been observed this year, compared to that of last year, due to continued dry weather in April to mid-May period. As a result, cultivation had been affected at the initial stage of the season and thereby progress remained comparatively less than expected in 2017. Meanwhile, the cultivation progress for upcountry varieties reported for Matale, Kandy and Puttlam districts were 41%, 41% and 75% respectively, by the end of July 2017. In addition, cultivation progress had improved for Jaffna and Kurunegala districts from its last month's figures, up to 46% and 56% respectively, by the end of July.

Meanwhile, commencement of the harvesting was observed in the early - established fields in most of the lowcountry areas. However, due to dry weather experienced at the initial phase of the season, the cultivation progress for lowcountry varieties also remained low in most of major lowcountry vegetable producing districts. Anuradhapura and Hambantota, the two leading districts for lowcountry vegetable cultivation, reported 46% and 55% cultivation progress respectively, for *Yala* season by the end of July. These figures too, were considerably low, compared to the same period of the last year, which recorded as 73% and 96% for Anuradhapura and Hambantota districts, respectively. Of all the lowcountry vegetable producing districts, the highest cultivation progress was reported for Puttlam as 75% of the seasonal target whilst the lowest figure was recorded for Kurunegala district as 37%, by the end of July, 2017.

Prices and supply/Demand situation

As the first phase of the *Yala* harvesting season reached, supplies had increased from both upcountry and lowcountry producing areas, whereby prices started to drop, compared to last month for most of the varieties.

As the harvesting season approaches, supplies from upcountry areas had increased, hence prices of most of the upcountry varieties decreased, considerably. Regarding the price behaviour of upcountry vegetables, the highest price decrease was recorded for beetroot as 44% followed by knolkhol as 41% and radish as 40%, due to increasing trend in market supplies from upcountry areas. Meantime, prices of all the other upcountry varieties had dropped in the range of 10% - 34% compared to last month.

Meanwhile, price of tomato had increased by 21% due to availability of high quality upcountry variety in the market. Yet, price of capsicum decreased by 20% as a result of high supplies from lowcountry areas.

Supplies of domestic vegetable varieties had also increased with the commencement of the *Yala* harvesting season. As a result, the highest prices decrease was recorded for cucumber as 51%, followed by both ladies' fingers and brinjal as 25% and bittergourd as 22%. Prices of cucumber had further decreased due to reaching of peak harvesting season in Hambantota and Anuradhapura. Furthermore, water scarcity during the initial phase of the season had completed more farmers to cultivate short duration vegetable varieties such as cucumber. In addition, except for pumpkin and ash plantain, prices of all the other lowcountry varieties had dropped in the range of 6%-19%, compared to last month.

Meantime, price of green chilies had decreased by 24%, as a result of high supply from Jaffna and Anuradhapura.

In line with the wholesale prices, retail prices of most of the vegetables had also decreased in July. The highest price decrease was reported for beetroot as 30%.

Table 3.1: Wholesale Prices of Vegetables – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	60.00-170.00	104.33	127.29	138.44	*-22.96*	*-18.04*	*-34.11*	*-24.64*
Carrot	100.00-200.00	146.15	220.00	119.63	*-73.85*	*-33.57*	*26.52*	*22.17*
Leeks	40.00-70.00	54.25	60.00	88.13	*-5.75*	*-9.58*	*-33.88*	*-38.44*
Beetroot	30.00-110.00	56.76	100.56	119.21	*-43.80*	*-43.56*	*-62.45*	*-52.39*
Knolkhol	40.00-70.00	51.17	86.36	63.58	*-35.20*	*-40.75*	*-12.41*	*-19.52*
Radish	20.00-50.00	35.67	59.37	34.65	*-23.71*	*-39.93*	*1.02*	*2.93*
Cabbage	50.00-10.00	74.73	92.38	92.54	*-17.65*	*-19.11*	*-17.81*	*-19.25*
Tomato	80.00-130.00	110.83	91.95	129.38	*18.88*	*20.54*	*-18.55*	*-14.34*
Ladies Fingers	30.00-70.00	53.94	71.56	46.36	*-17.63*	*-24.63*	*7.58*	*16.34*
Brinjal	60.00-120.00	86.63	115.17	59.32	*-28.53*	*-24.78*	*27.31*	*46.04*
Capsicum	90.00-220.00	161.50	201.46	286.26	*-39.96*	*-19.83*	*-124.76*	*-43.58*
Pumpkin	70.00-120.00	104.25	93.75	133.64	*10.50*	*11.20*	*-29.39*	*-21.99*
Cucumber	10.00-35.00	21.75	44.79	19.80	*-23.04*	*-51.44*	*1.95*	*9.85*
Bittergourd	80.00-180.00	134.35	171.91	148.51	*-37.56*	*-21.85*	*-14.16*	*-9.53*
Snakegourd	80.00-130.00	106.46	128.35	76.36	*-21.89*	*-17.05*	*30.10*	*39.42*
Drumstick	80.00-140.00	113.87	121.46	145.28	*-7.59*	*-6.25*	*-31.41*	*-21.62*
Luffa	60.00-120.00	90.00	110.83	78.74	*-20.83*	*-18.80*	*11.26*	*14.30*
Long Beans	50.00-120.00	82.00	100.83	72.00	*-18.83*	*-18.68*	*10.00*	*13.89*
Ash Plantain	50.00-80.00	63.50	62.60	70.17	*0.90*	*1.43*	*-6.67*	*-9.51*
Green Chillies	200.00-320.00	264.83	348.16	555.26	*-83.32*	*-23.93*	*-290.43*	*-52.30*
Lime	30.00-100.00	50.50	51.08	119.34	*-0.58*	*-1.14*	*-68.84*	*-57.68*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 3.2: Retail Prices of Vegetables – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	120.00-280.00	175.50	206.45	200.38	*-30.95*	*-14.99*	*-24.88*	*-12.42*
Carrot	140.00-320.00	235.44	310.61	203.00	*-75.17*	*-24.20*	*32.44*	*15.98*
Leeks	80.00-200.00	126.94	148.67	178.96	*-21.73*	*-14.62*	*-52.02*	*-29.07*
Beetroot	70.00-280.00	137.03	196.93	199.53	*-59.91*	*-30.42*	*-62.50*	*-31.32*
Knolkhol	80.00-240.00	144.09	187.70	162.21	*-43.61*	*-23.23*	*-18.12*	*-11.17*
Radish	60.00-200.00	116.94	141.54	117.35	*-24.60*	*-17.38*	*-0.41*	*-0.35*
Cabbage	90.00-240.00	167.94	191.08	176.53	*-23.15*	*-12.11*	*-8.59*	*-4.87*
Tomato	120.00-240.00	181.99	167.48	209.47	*14.51*	*8.67*	*-27.48*	*-13.12*
Ladies Fingers	70.00-200.00	130.92	149.79	125.96	*-18.86*	*-12.59*	*4.96*	*3.94*
Brinjal	100.00-320.00	160.88	192.58	132.35	*-31.70*	*-16.46*	*28.53*	*21.55*
Capsicum	160.00-400.00	278.43	326.49	375.78	*-48.06*	*-14.72*	*-97.35*	*-25.91*
Pumpkin	120.00-240.00	183.19	161.24	202.67	*21.95*	*13.61*	*-19.48*	*-9.61*
Cucumber	40.00-200.00	94.30	119.75	86.55	*-25.45*	*-21.26*	*7.75*	*8.95*
Bittergourd	120.00-360.00	226.86	268.07	222.59	*-41.21*	*-15.37*	*4.27*	*1.92*
Snakegourd	120.00-240.00	187.96	201.42	147.24	*-13.45*	*-6.68*	*40.72*	*27.66*
Drumstick	160.00-500.00	250.77	242.25	281.65	*8.52*	*3.52*	*-30.88*	*-10.96*
Luffa	100.00-240.00	182.66	201.60	170.49	*-18.94*	*-9.40*	*12.17*	*7.14*
Long Beans	100.00-320.00	168.85	192.46	156.45	*-23.61*	*-12.27*	*12.40*	*7.92*
Ash Plantain	90.00-200.00	134.80	134.42	131.48	*0.39*	*0.29*	*3.32*	*2.53*
Green Chillies	300.00-620.00	441.94	575.06	850.87	*-133.11*	*-23.15*	*-408.93*	*-48.06*
Lime	80.00-200.00	163.09	172.52	334.71	*-9.43*	*-5.47*	*-171.62*	*-51.27*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HART

4. Fruits

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Compared to the previous month, wholesale prices of most of the fruit varieties had increased. Prices of banana had increased in the range of 12%-62%. A price increase of 62% was observed for Ambul and the price ranged between Rs.40.00-90.00/kg. Prices of Seeni and Kolikuttu had increased by 12% and 17% respectively and price ranges recorded were Rs.50.00-90.00/kg and Rs.120.00-150.00/kg respectively. Further, prices of Anamalu and Ambun had increased by 29% and 38% respectively and price ranges recorded were Rs.10.00-17.00/fruit and Rs.14.00-23.00/fruit respectively. According to the data in previous years, prices of all the banana varieties could further increase in the coming month due to decreased supply. Prices of all the sizes of pineapple had increased in the range of 7%-17% and the monthly average wholesale prices of small, medium and large sized fruits were Rs.120.48/fruit, Rs.182.22/fruit and Rs.233.73/fruit respectively and the price ranged between Rs.100.00-260.00/fruit. At the same time, a declined consumer demand for pineapple was observed at the latter part of the month. According to market information, prices of pineapple could further increase in the coming month due to limited supply. Price of papaw also had increased by 21% due to limited supply and high quality fruits available in the market and the price ranged between Rs.50.00-80.00/kg. According to the data in previous years, papaw prices could further increase in the coming month also. In addition, prices of all the mango varieties except vilad had increased in the range of 2%-41% due to decreased supply with the off-season. At the same time more low quality stocks were observed in the market. Price of Vilad had decreased by 14% mainly due to low quality fruits available in the market. According to market information, mango prices could further increase in the coming month due to the off-season. Further, prices of oranges had increased significantly by 99% due to the end of the harvesting season. However, according to market information, it is expected to have decreased prices for oranges in the coming month. In addition, prices of slime apple also had increased by 2% and it is expected to have increased prices in the coming month too.

However, prices of avocado, passion fruit and woodapple had decreased by 21%, 17% and 11% respectively due to the harvesting season. According to the data in previous years, decreased prices could be expected for avocado and woodapple in the coming month. However, increased prices could be expected for passion fruit.

Compared to the same period of 2016, wholesale prices of most of the fruit varieties had increased and the highest price increase was noted for mango (Betti) as 62%.

In line with the increased wholesale prices, retail prices of all the fruit varieties except woodapple and avocado had increased. Retail prices of all the banana varieties had increased in the range of 12%-94%. The price ranges recorded for Ambul, Kolikuttu and Seeni during the month were Rs.80.00-160.00/kg, Rs.180.00-220.00/kg and Rs.100.00-140.00/kg respectively. The price ranges recorded for Anamalu and Ambun were Rs.15.00-30.00/fruit and Rs.20.00-40.00/fruit respectively. Prices of all the sizes of pineapple had increased in the range of 16%-23% and the retail price of pineapple ranged between Rs.130.00-400.00/fruit. Further, price of papaw had increased by 16% and the price ranged between Rs.80.00-140.00/kg. Prices of all the mango varieties too had increased in the range of 19%-53% and the price range of Karthakolomban was Rs.100.00-200.00/fruit.

In addition, prices of oranges, slime apple and passion fruit had increased by 42%, 11% and 5% respectively. However, prices of woodapple and avocado had decreased by 8% and 3% respectively.

Compared to the same period of 2016, retail prices of most of the fruit varieties had increased and the highest price increase was noted for both mango (Karthakolomban) and woodapple as 51%.

With reference to the producer prices, producers had received an increased price for Ambul, Kolikuttu and papaw compared to the previous month. The prices had increased by 63% for Ambul, 35% for Kolikuttu and 14% for papaw. Further, producer prices for Ambul, Kolikuttu and papaw ranged between Rs.31.67-65.00/kg, Rs.87.50-142.50/kg and Rs.37.50-52.50/kg respectively. At the same time, compared to the same month last year, producer prices had increased only for Ambul by 21% and had decreased for both Kolikuttu by 19% and papaw by 18% (Table 4.3).

Exports/Imports of Fruits

According to the Sri Lanka Customs, Sri Lanka had exported 528.7mt of fresh fruits during the month to the value of Rs.84.5mn. Of the exported quantity, 82% were papaw and 14%, 3% and 1% were fresh pineapple, fresh mangoes and fresh avocados respectively. In the month of June, 2017, the quantity exported was 531.5mt. Therefore, compared to last month, the exported quantity had decreased slightly by less than one percent.

With reference to imports, Sri Lanka had imported 2,727mt of fresh fruits during the month and the value was Rs.480mn. Of the imported quantity, 43% were apple and 26%, 22% and 9% were oranges, grapes and mandarin respectively. The main importing countries of apple were South Africa, China, New Zealand and the United States. South Africa, Australia and Egypt were the importing countries of oranges. In addition, grapes had been imported from China, Egypt and Australia while, mandarin had been imported from Australia and South Africa. In the month of June, 2017, the quantity imported was 3,280mt. Therefore, compared to last month, the imported quantity had decreased by 17%.

Table 4.1: Wholesale Prices of Fruits – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	%	(Rs)	%
Plantain								
Ambul (Kg)	40.00-90.00	67.95	42.00	60.76	*25.95*	*61.77*	*7.19*	*11.83*
Kolikuttu (Kg)	120.00-150.00	136.74	117.10	192.73	*19.65*	*16.78*	*-55.99*	*-29.05*
Seeni (Kg)	50.00-90.00	69.35	62.10	49.29	*7.26*	*11.69*	*20.06*	*40.71*
Anamalu (Fruit)	10.00-17.00	12.68	9.82	9.68	*2.85*	*29.05*	*3.00*	*30.98*
Ambun (Fruit)	14.00-23.00	19.31	14.02	14.10	*5.29*	*37.74*	*5.21*	*36.97*
Pineapple								
Large (Fruit)	200.00-260.00	233.73	200.44	181.49	*33.29*	*16.61*	*52.24*	*28.79*
Medium (Fruit)	150.00-220.00	182.22	158.34	149.58	*23.88*	*15.08*	*32.64*	*21.82*
Small (Fruit)	100.00-150.00	120.48	112.90	112.86	*7.57*	*6.71*	*7.62*	*6.75*
Mango								
Betti (Fruit)	20.00-40.00	26.39	20.66	16.29	*5.73*	*27.73*	*10.10*	*61.99*
Karthakolomban (Fruit)	12.00-130.00	102.89	72.74	65.90	*30.15*	*41.45*	*36.99*	*56.13*
Vilad (Fruit)	22.00-47.00	29.96	34.76	24.96	*-4.80*	*-13.81*	*5.00*	*20.03*
Kohu (Fruit)	10.00-50.00	15.25	14.96	12.48	*0.29*	*1.95*	*2.77*	*22.20*
Papaw (Kg)	50.00-80.00	67.51	55.78	57.97	*11.73*	*21.02*	*9.54*	*16.46*
Passionfruit (Fruit)	8.00-15.00	10.99	13.24	9.65	*-2.24*	*-16.95*	*1.34*	*13.93*
Woodapple (Fruit)	20.00-40.00	31.54	35.60	21.17	*-4.06*	*-11.39*	*10.37*	*49.00*
Orange (Fruit)	15.00-35.00	23.93	12.00	34.13	*11.94*	*99.50*	*-10.20*	*-29.88*
Avocado (Fruit)	16.00-50.00	32.39	40.97	27.64	*-8.58*	*-20.94*	*4.75*	*17.19*
Slime Apple (Fruit)	25.00-50.00	39.90	39.22	38.50	*0.68*	*1.74*	*1.40*	*3.64*
Grapes Imported (Kg)	360.00-650.00	518.29	520.13	467.44	*-1.84*	*-0.35*	*50.85*	*10.88*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 4.2: Retail Prices of Fruits – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Plantain								
Ambul (Rs/kg)	80.00-160.00	117.44	98.55	108.52	*85.39*	*86.64*	*8.92*	*8.22*
Kolikuttu (Rs/kg)	180.00-220.00	202.24	1758.04	242.70	*218.10*	*12.41*	*-40.46*	*-16.67*
Seeni (Rs/kg)	100.00-140.00	119.43	113.46	88.63	*82.53*	*72.74*	*30.80*	*34.75*
Anamalu	15.00-30.00	23.17	19.67	21.38	*18.55*	*94.29*	*1.79*	*8.39*
Ambun	20.00-40.00	27.60	23.29	21.50	*19.79*	*84.96*	*6.10*	*28.40*
Pineapple								
Large	270.00-400.00	318.42	266.98	248.47	*51.44*	*19.27*	*69.95*	*28.15*
Medium	200.00-280.00	246.77	201.04	189.52	*45.73*	*22.75*	*57.25*	*30.21*
Small	130.00-190.00	165.16	142.65	145.76	*22.52*	*15.79*	*19.40*	*13.31*
Mango								
Betti	30.00-70.00	49.69	40.97	35.71	*8.73*	*21.30*	*13.98*	*39.15*
Karthakolomban	100.00-200.00	142.92	93.20	94.91	*49.72*	*53.34*	*48.01*	*50.58*
Vilad	30.00-80.00	56.55	47.57	53.03	*8.98*	*18.88*	*3.52*	*6.65*
Kohu			-	17.50	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Rs/kg)	80.00-140.00	111.42	96.07	112.48	*15.34*	*15.97*	*-1.06*	*-0.95*
Passionfruit	15.00-29.00	21.95	20.80	19.83	*1.15*	*5.54*	*2.12*	*10.70*
Woodapple	50.00-100.00	70.93	77.00	47.02	*-6.07*	*-7.88*	*23.91*	*50.85*
Orange	25.00-60.00	45.00	31.73	59.30	*13.27*	*41.83*	*-14.30*	*-24.11*
Avocado	50.00-60.00	74.08	76.55	57.08	*-2.48*	*-3.24*	*17.00*	*29.78*
Slime Apple	60.00-120.00	87.77	78.90	64.66	*8.87*	*11.25*	*23.11*	*35.74*
Grapes Imported (Rs/kg)	700.00-900.00	808.29	800.87	773.60	*7.42*	*0.93*	*34.69*	*4.48*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 4.3: Producer Prices of Selected Fruits – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Ambul	31.67-65.00	50.87	31.22	42.17	19.65	62.95	8.70	20.64
Kolikuttu	87.50-142.50	112.32	83.05	138.00	29.27	35.25	-25.68	-18.61
Papaw	37.50-52.50	43.47	37.98	52.99	5.49	14.45	-9.52	-17.97
Pineapple	-	-	-	91.75	-	-	-	-

Source Marketing Food Policy Agribusiness Division, HARTI

Table 4.4: Quantity, Value and FOB Prices of Exported Fruits
May – July 2017

Type of Fruit	July			June			May		
	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	FOB (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	FOB (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	FOB (Rs/kg)
Fresh Pineapple	72.23	27.30	377.97	104.01	37.53	360.84	79.03	34.69	438.94
Papaw	435.84	48.10	110.37	418.91	46.01	109.84	404.90	49.63	122.57
Fresh Mango	15.54	7.41	476.90	4.85	1.81	373.01	5.02	1.37	273.62
Oranges, fresh	-	-	-	1.81	0.60	329.76	0.05	0.01	211.90
Avocados, fresh	5.09	1.66	326.26	1.90	0.63	332.67	-	-	-

Source: Sri Lanka Customs (FOB=Free On Board)

Table 4.5: Quantity, Value and CIF Prices of Imported Fruits
May – July 2017

Type of Fruit	July			June			May		
	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF (Rs/kg)
Apple	1,185	188.27	158.86	2,031	344.88	169.77	2,536	416.40	164.21
Grapes	594	180.07	302.94	400	140.12	350.63	597	197.84	331.13
Oranges	698	91.08	130.53	591	67.64	114.38	592	56.57	95.48
Mandarin	250	20.28	81.05	258	20.14	77.94	148	9.02	61.11

Source: Sri Lanka Customs
(CIF=Cost Insurance and Freight)

5. Fish, Dried Fish, Eggs and Meat

Fish

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Average wholesale prices of selected fresh fish types ranged between Rs.128.00/kg and Rs.1,266.00/kg in July 2017. Prices of all fresh types except Thora and Shrimp have decreased by 5% or more. Supply of Balaya had been increasing over the month; therefore, amongst all fish types, it showed the highest price decrement as 24%. Prices of both Hurulla and Kelawalla have decreased by 22%. All other price decreased fish types showed price decrements lower than 10%. Prices of Salaya, both Paraw and Thalapath, and Mora have decreased by 8%, 6%, and 5%. In the meantime, price of only Thora has increased by 1%. Interestingly, shrimp did not show a significant price variation during this month.

Weekly price observations showed that fish prices have increased until the third week of the month. Due to unfavorable weather conditions, supply of most fish types such as Thora, Mora, Shrimp, and Hurulla was low during the first few weeks of the month. However, the supply of fish increased with time, especially from Kalmunai. Consequently, during the fourth week, price reductions were observed for most fish types. Fish supply during the next month (i.e., August) is likely to increase due to increased fishing activities at Trincomalee, Chilaw, and Kandakuliya. As a result, low fish prices are anticipated for the next month.

Compared to the same period of last year, wholesale prices of most fish types have increased during this month. The highest price increase was noted as 29% for Thalapath, followed by 17% for Shrimp and 15% for Mora. Prices of Thora and Kelawalla have increased by less than 10%. In the meantime, prices of Balaya, Hurulla, Salaya, and Paraw have decreased by 3%-22%.

Average retail prices of selected fish types ranged between Rs.198.00/kg and Rs.1,648.00/kg in July 2017. Consumers had to pay a price range of Rs.120.00-2,400.00 to purchase one kilo of any of the above fish types. In line with the decreased wholesale prices, retail prices also have decreased in all fish types except in Thora and Mora compared to the previous month. Prices of Thora and Mora have increased by 6% and 1%, respectively. Of price decreased fish types, the highest price reduction was observed in Hurulla (15%), followed by Balaya (14%). Prices of both Kelawalla and Salaya have decreased by 7%, and that of Paraw has decreased by 2%. The lowest price reduction of 1% was noted for both Shrimp and Thalapath. Compared to the same period of last year, retail prices of all fish types except Hurulla have increased by 3%-34%, and the highest price increment was noted for Thalapath.

Table 5.1: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Fish – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Salaya	100.00-150.00	127.87	139.50	144.12	*-11.63*	*-8.34*	*-16.25*	*-11.28*
Hurulla	180.00-350.00	277.53	358.00	343.11	*-80.47*	*-22.48*	*-65.58*	*-19.11*
Balaya	180.00-350.00	251.57	329.88	323.42	*-78.30*	*-23.74*	*-71.85*	*-22.22*
Kelawalla	400.00-700.00	511.93	657.04	500.43	*-145.11*	*-22.09*	*11.50*	*2.30*
Thora	1000.00-1500.00	1266.00	1252.50	1168.61	*13.50*	*1.08*	*97.39*	*8.33*
Paraw	480.00-650.00	581.80	616.75	600.25	*-34.95*	*-5.67*	*-18.45*	*-3.07*
Mora	500.00-620.00	559.93	589.33	485.25	*-29.40*	*-4.99*	*74.68*	*15.39*
Shrimp (small)	700.00-950.00	858.22	857.50	731.33	*0.72*	*0.08*	*126.89*	*17.35*
Thalapath	650.00-1000.00	799.00	845.68	620.50	*-46.68*	*-5.52*	*178.50*	*28.77*
Retail Prices								
Salaya	120.00-400.00	198.06	211.98	186.58	*-13.92*	*-6.57*	*11.48*	*6.15*
Hurulla	200.00-700.00	373.28	438.42	404.88	*-65.14*	*-14.86*	*-31.60*	*-7.80*
Balaya	220.00-720.00	482.59	561.96	468.63	*-79.37*	*-14.12*	*13.96*	*2.98*
Kelawalla	450.00-1200.00	833.17	900.65	742.03	*-67.48*	*-7.49*	*91.14*	*12.28*
Thora	1300.00-2400.00	1648.19	1551.47	1338.25	*96.72*	*6.23*	*309.94*	*23.16*
Paraw	580.00-1200.00	896.97	915.05	765.63	*-18.08*	*-1.98*	*131.34*	*17.15*
Mora	550.00-1400.00	776.83	767.74	621.39	*9.09*	*1.18*	*155.44*	*25.02*
Shrimp (small)	750.00-1500.00	1060.24	1075.87	893.74	*-15.63*	*-1.45*	*166.50*	*18.63*
Thalapath	700.00-1400.00	1086.97	1100.15	811.32	*-13.18*	*-1.20*	*275.65*	*33.98*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Dried Fish

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Average wholesale prices of selected dried fish types ranged between Rs.263.00/kg and 1,117.00/kg in July 2017. Compared to the previous month, prices of most dried fish types have decreased by 1%-18%. The highest price decrements were noted for imported and local Balaya as 18% and 17%, respectively. Price of Salaya has decreased by 15%. Amongst price decreased dried fish, all other types showed price decrements of 5% or less. For example, prices of local Kattawa, imported Kattawa and Maduwa have decreased by 5%, 4%, and 3%, respectively. Moreover, prices of imported Anguluwa, imported and local Mora have decreased by 2%, and that of local Thora has decreased by 1%. In the meantime, of price increased dried fish types, the highest price increment was observed as 7% for local Sprats, followed by 6% for imported Thora and 4% for imported Sprats. In addition, prices of local Maduwa and Anguluwa have increased by 2% and 1%, respectively.

Weekly price observations showed that dried fish prices have decreased throughout all the weeks this month except during the second week. During the second week of the month, the dried fish supply has decreased due to the limited supply of fish resulted by the unfavourable weather conditions prevailed in the coastal areas. High quality local sprats were seen in the markets; therefore, the highest price increment was observed in local sprats. The quantity of sprats imported in July has increased by 411 MT compared to the quantity imported in the previous month. The CIF price was recorded as Rs.431.00/kg, whereas the retail price of one kilogram of imported sprats was recorded as Rs.802.00. The total worth of the imported sprats stock was recorded as Rs.951 millions. Of the imported stock, approximately, 76% was imported from Thailand, 13% from United Arab Emirates, 7% from Vietnam, 3% from India, and 1% from Iran. Quantities imported from Oman and Myanmar were less than 1% of the total imported stock.

Compared to the same period of last year, wholesale prices of most dried fish types have increased during this month. The highest price increment was noted as 19% for local sprats, followed by 17% for imported sprats. Price of imported Anguluwa, Thora, and Maduwa have increased by 8%, 6%, and 5%, respectively. In addition, prices of both imported and local Mora have increased by 1%. In the meantime, prices of imported Balaya, local Balaya, and Thora have decreased by 19%, 17%, and 7%, respectively. Prices of local Maduwa and Salaya along with imported Kattawa have decreased by either 5% or less. Interestingly, local Kattawa and Anguluwa did not show any significant price variation compared to July 2016.

Average retail prices of selected dried fish types ranged between Rs.586.00/kg and Rs.1445.00/kg during July 2017. In line with the decreased wholesale prices, retail prices of most dried fish types have decreased by less than 5%. The highest price decrement of 3% was noted for Kattawa, followed by 2% for Balaya. Prices of Maduwa, Salaya, and Thora have decreased by 1%. However, price of local Sprats has increased by 4%, whilst that of imported Sprats has increased by 1%. Prices of Mora and Anguluwa did not show any significant variation during this month. Compared to the same period of last year, prices of all dried fish types except Balaya have increased by 3%-29%, and the highest price increment was noted for imported Sprats. Price of Balaya has decreased by 2%.

Table 5.2: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Dried Fish – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Dried fish – Wholesale								
Sprats	900.00-1200.00	1027.00	960.76	861.41	*66.24*	*6.89*	*165.59*	*19.22*
Sprats (imported)	400.00-760.00	568.71	548.46	487.84	*20.25*	*3.69*	*80.87*	*16.58*
Kattawa	700.00-850.00	803.22	846.43	800.64	*-43.21*	*-5.11*	*2.58*	*0.32*
Kattawa (imported)	700.00-850.00	758.64	789.86	769.00	*-31.23*	*-3.95*	*-10.36*	*-1.35*
Thora	950.00-1200.00	1096.40	1103.28	1176.79	*-6.88*	*-0.62*	*-80.39*	*-6.83*
Thora (imported)	1000.00-1200.00	1117.40	1057.75	1050.94	*59.65*	*5.64*	*66.46*	*6.32*
Mora	760.00-850.00	817.00	829.67	812.00	*-12.67*	*-1.53*	*5.00*	*0.62*
Mora (imported)	700.00-850.00	770.20	783.47	765.31	*-13.27*	*-1.69*	*4.89*	*0.64*
Balaya	350.00-550.00	445.33	534.70	536.34	*-89.37*	*-16.71*	*-91.01*	*-16.97*
Balaya (imported)	300.00-500.00	398.00	485.79	489.00	*-87.79*	*-18.07*	*-91.00*	*-18.61*
Anguluwa	700.00-850.00	790.82	783.11	789.80	*7.71*	*0.98*	*1.03*	*0.13*
Anguluwa (imported)	580.00-800.00	729.40	745.00	674.14	*-15.60*	*-2.09*	*55.26*	*8.20*
Maduwa	400.00-700.00	565.60	554.09	595.25	*11.51*	*2.08*	*-29.65*	*-4.98*
Maduwa (imported)	400.00-500.00	465.50	479.11	442.32	*-13.61*	*-2.84*	*23.18*	*5.24*
Koduwa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Koduwa(imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salaya	150.00-300.00	262.73	309.22	273.42	*-46.49*	*-15.03*	*-10.68*	*-3.91*
Salaya (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dried fish – Retail								
Sprats(imported)	600.00-1200.00	802.46	792.77	622.10	*9.69*	*1.22*	*180.36*	*28.99*
Sprats	1000.00-1800.00	1197.23	1150.06	994.12	*47.17*	*4.10*	*203.11*	*20.43*
Kattawa	900.00-1700.00	1201.84	1232.61	1155.64	*-30.77*	*-2.50*	*46.20*	*4.00*
Thora	1200.00-2000.00	1444.73	1452.38	1371.11	*-7.65*	*-0.53*	*73.62*	*5.37*
Mora	900.00-1500.00	1097.47	1098.56	1055.40	*-1.09*	*-0.10*	*42.07*	*3.99*
Balaya	500.00-1200.00	834.54	854.76	850.12	*-20.22*	*-2.37*	*-15.58*	*-1.83*
Anguluwa	800.00-1500.00	1012.51	1012.90	978.39	*-0.39*	*-0.04*	*34.12*	*3.49*
Maduwa	600.00-900.00	792.00	803.54	731.97	*-11.54*	*-1.44*	*60.03*	*8.20*
Koduwa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salaya	400.00-80.00	585.72	589.09	542.56	*-3.38*	*-0.57*	*43.16*	*7.95*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 5.3: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Sprats – February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July	2,208	951.25	430.90	802.46	*371.56*
June	1,797	737.15	410.30	792.77	*382.48*
May	2,463	1032.57	419.24	778.68	*359.44*
April	1,398	572.65	409.52	695.78	*286.26*
March	2,044	800.30	391.62	618.30	*226.67*
February	1,418	545.27	384.42	603.24	*218.82*

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HART

Eggs

Wholesale prices of both brown and white eggs have increased in July 2017 compared to the previous month. Prices of brown and white eggs have increased by 12% and 11%, respectively. The average wholesale price of a brown egg was recorded as Rs.14.27, and that of a white egg was recorded as 12.83. Compared to the same period of last year, the wholesale prices of both brown and white eggs have decreased by 12% and 16%, respectively. The egg production in the next month is predicted to be low. However, the prices of both egg types will not be affected; their prices will be more or less similar to those this month.

In accordance with increased wholesale prices, retail prices of brown and white eggs have increased by 10% and 9%, respectively. The average retail prices were Rs.15.08 per brown egg and Rs.13.83 per white egg. Compared to the same period of last year, prices of both types of eggs (i.e., brown and white) have decreased by 14% and 16%, respectively.

Table 5.4: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Eggs – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	%	Rs	%
Wholesale Price								
Eggs – Brown (each)	13.00-14.50	14.27	12.79	16.25	*1.48*	*11.53*	*-1.98*	*-12.21*
White (each)	12.00-13.00	12.83	11.58	15.25	*1.25*	*10.79*	*-2.42*	*-15.85*
Retail Price								
Eggs- Brown (each)	13.50-16.00	15.08	13.76	17.44	*1.32*	*9.58*	*-2.36*	*-13.53*
White (each)	12.50-15.00	13.83	12.67	16.43	*1.17*	*9.20*	*-2.60*	*-15.80*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Meat

Compared to the previous month, among the meat items, the only price decrement was observed for Broiler Chicken. With the emergence of new chicken meat retail shops, price of Broiler Chicken has decreased by 2%, and its average price was recorded as Rs.555.00/kg. Prices of Beef and Mutton have increased by 3% and 1%, respectively in July 2017. Average price of Beef was recorded as Rs.948.00/kg, and the price was in the range of Rs.850.00-960.00 for one kilo. Prices of Curry chicken and Pork did not show any significant variation during this month. Especially, the price range and the average price of Pork during this month has exactly been the same as those in the previous month.

Compared to the same period of last year, prices of Beef and Mutton have increased by 19% and 9%, respectively. Prices of all other meat types have decreased; prices of both Broiler Chicken and Pork have decreased by 5%, whilst the price of Curry Chicken has decreased by 4%.

Table 5.5: Retail Prices of Meat – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Meat								
Beef (without bones)	850.00-960.00	947.72	917.38	793.43	*30.35*	*3.31*	*154.29*	*19.45*
Chicken (Broiler)	470.00-650.00	555.27	565.80	584.08	*-10.53*	*-1.86*	*-28.81*	*-4.93*
Chicken (curry)	450.00-620.00	516.95	515.06	538.24	*1.89*	*0.37*	*-21.29*	*-3.96*
Mutton	1600.00-1800.00	1726.67	1712.25	1587.43	*14.41*	*0.84*	*139.24*	*8.77*
Pork	550.00-650.00	583.33	583.33	612.71	*0.00*	*0.00*	*-29.38*	*-4.79*

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agri-business Division/HARTI

6. Wheat grain, Wheat flour and Sugar

Wheat grain, Wheat flour

Total quantity of 165,737mt. of wheat grain worth of 6,448mn. had been imported during the month of July. Compared to the previous month, total imports this month has increased by 61,768mt. The highest wheat grain quantity, that was 110,007mt. had been imported from Canada. Furthermore, wheat grain was also imported from Russia (21%), United Arab Emirates (7%) and United States (4%). In addition, few quantitates were also imported from Germany, Australia and India. Meantime, world wheat prices continued to increase during the month of July as well. The CIF price for wheat grain ranged between Rs.31.00-45.00/kg and the average CIF price for wheat grain was reported as Rs.39.00/kg. The highest CIF price was reported for the Indian wheat grains whilst; the lowest was recorded for the German stocks. The CIF price of Rs.40.00/kg was applied for the highest imported stocks imported from Canada.

When considering the wheat flour, total imports for the month of July was 652mt. worth of Rs.43mn. Compared to the previous month, imports for the month of July have increased by 564mt. Since January, up to now this was the highest wheat flour quantity imported to the country. The highest quantity had been imported from China and the rest was imported from Germany, Singapore and India. The CIF price ranged between Rs.33.00-90.00/kg and the average CIF price for wheat flour was reported as Rs.66.00/kg. Average CIF price for the month of July has decreased by 8% compared to the previous month. The retail price of wheat flour ranged between Rs.85.00-95.00/kg and the average price was Rs.89.00/kg. Compared to the same period of last year, the retail price of wheat flour has decreased by 2%.

Table 6.1: Open Market Retail Prices of Wheat Flour and Sugar – July 2017

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2017	July 2017	June 2017	July 2016	June 2017		July 2016	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wheat Flour	85.00-95.00	89.20	89.24	91.44	*-0.04*	*-0.05*	*-2.24*	*-2.45*
Sugar	96.00-110.00	106.05	106.87	*95.54*	*-0.82*	*-0.77*	*10.51*	*11.00*

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Table 6.2: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Wheat Flour & Grain – February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
Wheat Flour					
July	652	43.33	66.41	89.20	*22.79*
June	88	6.34	72.25	89.24	*16.99*
May	603	41.05	68.07	88.90	*20.83*
April	93	6.32	68.17	89.87	*21.70*
March	312	18.96	60.83	89.25	*28.42*
February	258	17.34	67.24	89.12	*21.88*
Wheat Grain					
July	165,737	6448.11	38.91	89.20	*50.29*
June	103,969	3819.93	36.74	89.24	*52.50*
May	197,026	7256.36	36.83	88.90	*52.07*
April	208,579	7304.23	35.02	89.87	*54.85*
March	232,040	8298.01	35.76	89.25	*53.49*
February	91,316	3312.29	36.27	89.12	*52.85*

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Sugar

Total quantity of 33,791mt. of sugar worth of 2,560mn. had been imported during the month of July. Compared to the previous month, July quantity has decreased by 23%. Referring to the world sugar prices, decreasing trend has been observed during the month of July as well. The highest sugar quantity was imported from India and the quantity was 7,868mt. The second highest quantity was imported from Thailand and the quantity was 7,146mt. The rest was imported from United Arab Emirates (16%), Brazil (10%), Guatemala (9%), Poland (8%), Nicaragua (6%) and Egypt (5%). The CIF prices ranged between Rs.65.00-83.00/kg. The highest CIF price was applied to the imports of Thailand, while the lowest for the Poland stocks. The CIF price of Rs.77.00/kg was reported for the highest quantity of imports which was from India. Monthly average CIF price for sugar was Rs.76.00/kg.

The retail price of sugar ranged between Rs.96.00-110.00/kg. The average retail price for sugar was Rs.106.00/kg. Sugar prices have decreased by Rs.1.00/kg compared to the previous month. Compared to the same period of last year the price has increased by 11%.

Table 6.3: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Sugar- February to July 2017

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July	33,791	2560.14	75.76	106.05	*30.28*
June	44,132	3526.84	79.92	106.87	*26.95*
May	54,875	4649.86	84.74	106.95	*22.21*
April	30,689	2615.61	85.23	108.95	*23.72*
March	25,703	2237.27	87.04	105.36	*18.32*
February	14,604	1318.02	90.25	101.66	*11.41*

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HART

Table 7: Import of Selected Food Items – July 2017

Items	Quantity (mt)		% Change Compared to last month	Value (Rs. mn)		% Change Compared to last month	CIF (Rs/kg)		% Change Compared to last month
	July 2017	June 2017		July 2017	June 2017		July 2017	June 2017	
Rice	51,697	15,640	230.5	3374.2	1013.7	232.9	65.27	64.81	0.7
Red Onion	471	1,039	-54.6	64.4	176.8	-63.6	136.68	170.17	-19.7
Big Onion	20,552	22,746	-9.6	655.1	691.6	-5.3	31.88	30.41	4.8
Potato	11,009	15,227	-27.7	401.4	643.3	-37.6	36.46	42.25	-13.7
Dried Chillies	4,004	3,181	25.9	509.1	393.9	29.3	127.15	123.83	2.7
Masoor Dhal	11,262	9,967	13.0	1202.5	1021.9	17.7	106.77	102.53	4.1
Green Gram	1,007	1,694	-40.6	157.0	268.0	-41.4	155.95	158.19	-1.4
Cowpea	164	359	-54.3	21.9	50.4	-56.5	133.73	140.37	-4.7
Garlic	3,697	2,255	63.9	461.9	358.0	29.0	124.94	158.74	-21.3
Wheat flour	652	88	643.7	43.3	6.3	582.9	66.41	72.33	-8.2
Wheat grain	165,737	103,969	59.4	6448.1	3819.9	68.8	38.91	36.74	5.9
White crystalline cane sugar	33,791	44,132	-23.4	2560.1	3526.8	-27.4	75.76	79.92	-5.2
Maize (Seed)	400	61	-	259.6	38.4	-	649.06	635.12	-
Maize (Other)	2,255	125	1702.7	86.5	13.6	538.7	38.37	108.31	-64.6
Sprats, dried unsalted	2,208	1,797	22.9	904.9	737.1	22.8	434.22	410.30	5.8

Source: Automated data Processing Division, Department of Customs

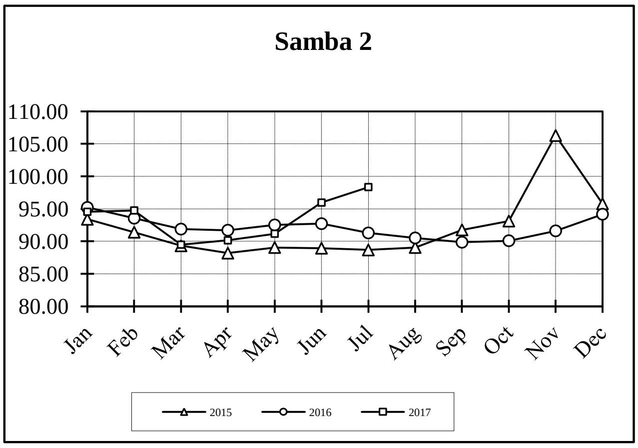
Table 8: Monthly Rainfall (mm) – July 2017

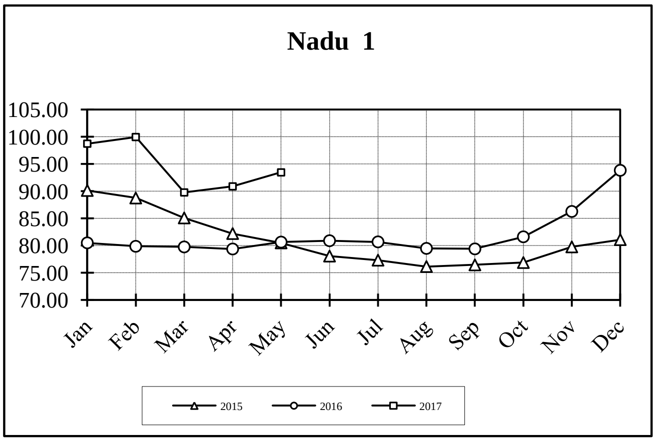
Rainfall Station	Total Rainfall (mm)	30 Year Avg. Rainfall (mm)	Total Rainy Days	30 Year Average Rainy Days
Anuradhapura	11.3	27.1	2	3
Badulla	28.2	69.3	4	6
Bandarawela	50.2	54.7	4	5
Batticaloa	77.5	41.4	5	3
Colombo	47.2	121.9	9	12
Galle	137.3	163.2	17	16
Hambantota	19.9	45.5	4	5
Jaffna	12.7	25.1	3	2
Katugastota	40.1	128.1	10	14
Katunayaka	35.2	99.2	9	10
Kurunegala	26.2	111.2	8	11
Mahailuppallama	19.7	31.0	1	3
Mannar	0.0	12.4	0	1
Nuwara Eliya	39.2	164.9	14	17
Pottuvil	23.5	18.9	3	na
Puttalam	2.4	16.8	2	3
Ratmalana	24.6	132.7	9	12
Ratnapura	183.7	292.8	20	19
Trincomalee	171.9	63.8	9	4
Vavuniya	24.1	43.5	6	3
Polonnaruwa	15.0	na	2	na
Moneragala	99.1	na	10	na
Mattala	57.1	na	3	na

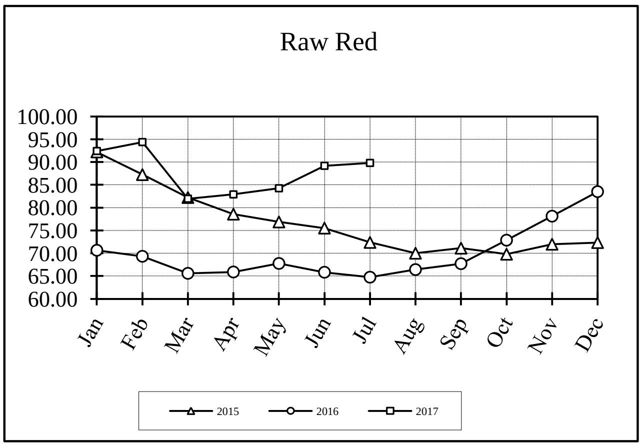
Source: Department of Meteorology

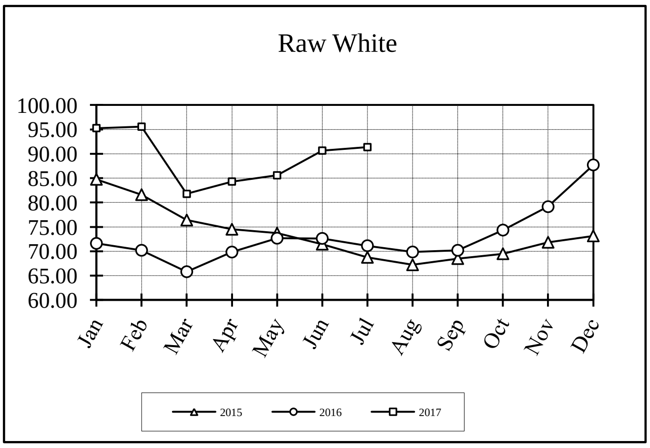
Appendix 01:Retail Price of Rice in Colombo & Suburbs (Rs/kg)

Month	Samba 2			Nadu 1			Raw Red			Raw White		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Jan	93.38	95.20	94.54	90.13	80.51	98.73	92.21	70.64	92.41	84.76	71.61	95.27
Feb	91.39	93.55	94.74	88.75	79.87	99.95	87.23	69.32	94.37	81.61	70.19	95.56
Mar	89.30	91.87	89.48	85.09	79.76	89.77	82.21	65.58	81.95	76.40	65.80	81.77
Apr	88.17	91.70	90.14	82.22	79.38	90.88	78.56	65.88	82.89	74.51	69.83	84.30
May	89.04	92.51	91.16	80.50	80.65	93.46	76.85	67.75	84.24	73.70	72.67	85.58
Jun	88.93	92.71	95.95	78.08	80.90		75.50	65.82	89.17	71.45	72.63	90.65
Jul	88.66	91.28	98.34	77.33	80.69		72.36	64.74	89.80	68.75	71.13	91.36
Aug	89.04	90.51		76.16	79.49		69.99	66.41		67.22	69.85	
Sep	91.75	89.85		76.46	79.40		71.10	67.70		68.49	70.19	
Oct	93.10	90.08		76.89	81.62		69.77	72.86		69.49	74.34	
Nov	106.27	91.60		79.77	86.28		71.96	78.12		71.84	79.14	
Dec	95.76	94.16		81.10	93.83		72.33	83.50		73.15	87.71	



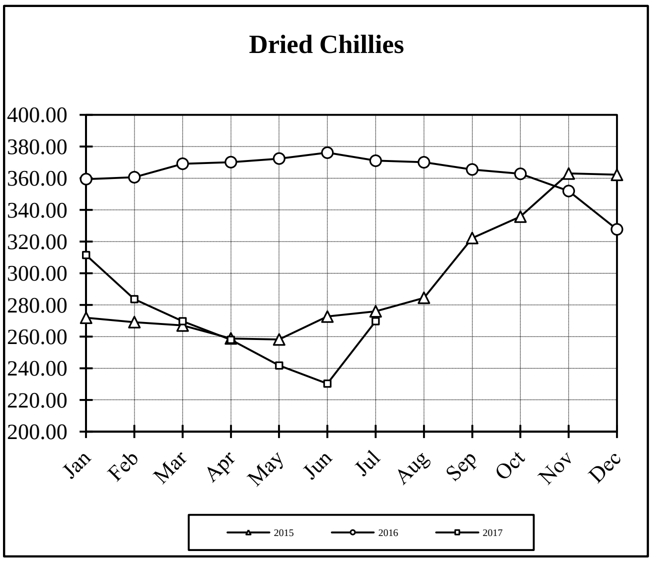


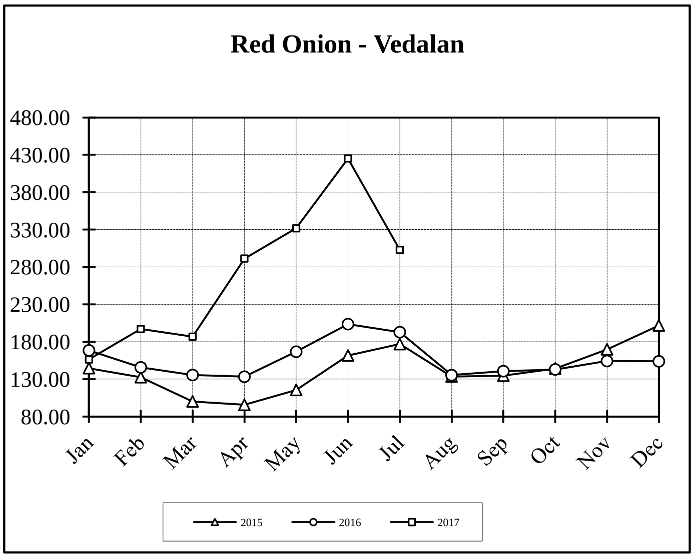


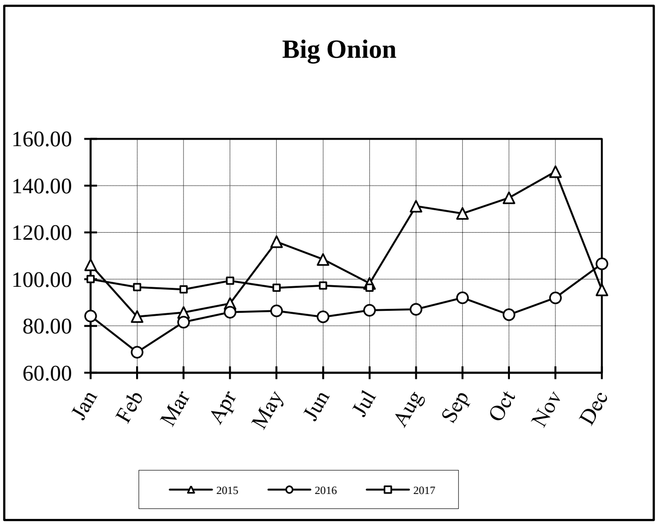


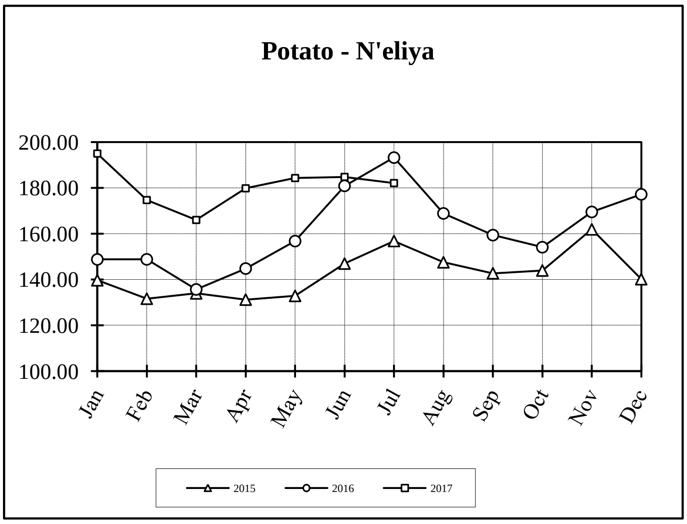
Appendix 02: Retail Pricees of Chillies, Onions & Potato in Colombo & Suburbs (Rs/kg)

Month	Dried Chillies			Red Onion			Big Onion			Potato - N'Eliya		
	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
Jan	271.85	359.36	311.44	144.64	168.42	156.25	106.11	84.20	100.02	139.63	148.73	194.94
Feb	269.09	360.56	283.58	132.59	145.71	197.00	83.99	68.73	96.57	131.58	148.75	174.64
Mar	266.95	369.06	269.67	100.10	135.49	186.80	85.73	81.58	95.60	133.91	135.62	165.97
Apr	258.81	370.07	257.93	95.65	133.19	291.30	89.56	85.83	99.33	131.19	144.75	179.77
May	258.15	372.34	241.70	115.55	166.64	331.70	115.99	86.42	96.33	132.82	156.73	184.26
Jun	272.61	376.04	230.28	161.67	203.59	425.19	108.39	83.87	97.25	146.91	180.84	184.74
Jul	275.90	370.97	269.67	176.85	192.81	302.86	98.14	86.66	96.33	156.77	193.18	182.06
Aug	284.48	369.99		133.51	135.32		131.16	87.07		147.47	168.81	
Sep	322.19	365.44		134.69	140.64		128.09	92.01		142.68	159.34	
Oct	335.70	362.69		144.23	142.94		134.76	84.79		143.91	154.06	
Nov	362.89	351.86		169.84	154.23		145.93	91.96		161.86	169.46	
Dec	362.08	327.65		201.81	153.77		95.39	106.54		140.10	177.13	









Appendix 03: Farmgate\Producer Prices of Food Commodities in Selected Producing Areas (Rs/Kg)

July 2017

Commodity	1St Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Paddy					
Short grain					
A'pura	51.00	50.83	51.00	51.00	51.00
P'naruwa	51.00		50.75	44.75	44.75
Kalawewa	54.68	53.93	52.25	53.27	52.40
Kurunegala		51.00	49.25	48.67	49.25
Dehiattakandiya					
Ampara	48.30	46.60	46.60	43.04	43.06
Long grain (White)					
A'pura	50.60	50.00	50.80	50.40	50.40
P'naruwa	50.50		50.25	47.81	47.81
Kalawewa	48.06	50.50	49.35	49.80	51.00
Kurunegala	50.67	50.67	49.33	49.33	49.33
Dehiattakandiya					
Embilipitiya					
Ampara					
Matara					
Hambantota					
Long grain (Red)					
Matara	44.33	44.33	44.00	43.67	
Hambantota					
Ampara	45.60	45.60	44.60	42.40	42.60
Embilipitiya	45.00	45.50	44.50	44.50	45.00
Other Food Crops					
Dried Chillies					
A'Pura					
Galgamuwa					
Kalawewa					
Red Onion					
Puttalam		206.00	116.00	114.00	100.00
Big Onion					
Dambulla					
Kalawewa					
A'Pura					
Kurunegala					

Commodity	1St Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Potato					
N'Eliya	107.00	123.00	127.00	132.00	127.00
Badulla					
Welimada					
Pulses					
Green Gram					
Galgamuwa					
Kalawewa					
Embilipitiya	196.25	196.25	196.25	192.50	192.50
Kurunegala					
A'pura					
Cowpea					
A'pura					
Galgamuwa					
Nikaweratiya					
Kalawewa					
Embilipitiya	228.75	225.00	225.00	215.00	215.00
Kurunegala					
Maize					
A'Pura	68.75	65.00	65.00		50.00
Kalawewa					
Gingelly					
A'Pura	138.75	139.80	145.00	150.00	155.00
Kalawewa					
Black Gram					
Kalawewa		105.00	105.00		120.00
A'Pura			160.00		
Vegetables (Up Country)					
Beans					
Dambulla	130.00	69.80	95.00	99.00	102.00
Welimada					
Badulla		78.00	76.00	81.00	82.00
Carrot					
Hanguranketha	163.33	160.00	140.00	120.00	90.00
N'Eliya	97.80	169.00	152.00	152.00	118.00
Welimada					

Commodity	1St Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Leeks					
Welimada					
N'Eliya	47.00	47.00	47.00	47.00	42.00
Beetroot					
Hanguranketha	70.00	55.00	40.00		45.00
N'Eliya	54.00	57.00	51.00	32.00	32.00
Dambulla	55.20	44.00	41.40	36.80	33.60
Kurunegala					
Welimada					
Knokhol					
Hanguranketha		43.33			35.00
N'Eliya	32.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00
Welimada					
Radish					
Hanguranketha	40.00	32.50	30.00		27.50
N'Eliya	27.60	27.60	27.60	28.20	28.20
Welimada					
Cabbage					
Hanguranketha	58.33	65.00	51.67	63.33	55.00
N'Eliya	42.00	76.00	73.00	82.80	66.80
Welimada					
Hambantota					
Badulla					
Tomato					
Hanguranketha	60.00	55.00	60.00	47.50	85.00
Welimada					
Hambantota	92.50	92.50	92.50	92.50	95.00
Dambulla	81.60	69.80	82.20	82.20	92.80
Low Country					
Ladies Fingers					
A'pura	58.33	48.33	48.33	28.33	35.00
Dambulla	54.60	49.60	43.40	38.60	25.40
Hambantota	77.50	82.50	75.00	65.00	35.00
Embilipitiya	80.00	62.40	74.00	66.00	52.00
Matara	76.67	76.67	76.67	65.00	

Appendix 03: contd…..

Commodity	1St Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Brinjals					
A'pura	85.00	50.00	63.33	80.00	80.00
Dambulla	76.40	69.80	78.20	83.20	82.80
Hambantota	55.00	55.00	65.00	75.00	75.00
Embilipitiya	51.67	54.17	76.00	86.00	67.00
Matara	75.00	75.00	75.00	75.00	
Welimada					
Capsicum					
Welimada					
Bitter Gourd					
A'pura	133.33	103.33	90.00	80.00	75.00
Dambulla	140.00	114.00	111.00	82.20	84.80
Hambantota	140.00	130.00	125.00	125.00	140.00
Embilipitiya	132.00	136.00	136.00	136.00	136.00
Matara	106.67	113.33	126.67	123.33	
Snake Gourd					
Dambulla	67.20	70.80	77.60	79.20	61.20
Hambantota	110.00	90.00	97.50	105.00	110.00
Embilipitiya	98.75	103.00	76.00	104.60	95.00
Matara	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00	
A'pura	85.00	61.67	63.33	70.00	75.00
Luffa					
Dambulla	85.80	65.20	66.80	56.80	52.40
Hambantota	95.00	95.00	95.00	85.00	
Embilipitiya	87.00	89.00	95.00	67.00	63.00
Matara					
A'pura		73.33	50.00	50.00	75.00

Commodity	1St Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Pumpkin					
Dambulla	95.00	81.80	100.00	65.20	57.20
Hambantota	100.00	110.00	95.00	95.00	70.00
Embilipitiya	100.00	110.00	115.00	107.00	89.00
Matara					
A'pura	120.00	100.00	103.33	96.67	80.00
Moneragala	90.00	80.00	100.00	100.00	102.50
Cucumber					
A'pura	15.00	13.33	15.67	17.67	16.67
Dambulla	12.00	14.20	11.80	15.40	20.40
Hambantota	26.50	29.00	27.50	22.50	22.50
Matara					
Long beans					
Dambulla	60.80	73.80	70.80	65.80	62.20
Hambantota	75.00	115.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
Embilipitiya	113.40	120.00	122.50	110.00	103.00
Matara	100.00	71.67	75.00	83.33	
A'Pura	106.70	70.00	70.00	70.00	75.00
Ash Plantain					
Hambantota	45.00	47.50	52.50	52.50	52.50
Embilipitiya	44.40	46.40	51.40	44.40	44.40
Matara	66.67	66.67	66.67	66.67	
Green Chillies					
Dambulla	216.00	201.00	240.00	257.00	310.00
Hambantota			290.00	290.00	290.00
Embilipitiya	275.83	287.50	252.50	305.00	315.00
Puttalam		266.00	216.00	216.00	244.00
A'Pura	243.33	296.67	280.00	243.33	300.00

Commodity	1St Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week	5th Week
Lime					
Hambantota	42.50	52.50	55.00	55.00	55.00
Embilipitiya	47.86	52.50	46.67	46.67	48.33
Moneragala	29.50	30.50	33.00	33.00	30.5
Fruits (Rs/Kg)					
Banana					
Ambul					
Moneragala	53.75	53.75	57.50	57.50	63.75
Embilipitiya	31.67	45.00	41.00	41.67	52.50
Hambantota	47.50	47.50	47.50	57.50	65.00
Kolikuttu					
Moneragala	95.00	88.75	88.75	92.50	87.50
Embilipitiya	104.00	104.00	113.00	113.00	110.83
Hambantota	137.50	142.50	135.00	137.50	135.00
Papaw					
Moneragala					
Embilipitiya	38.40	39.40	42.40	42.40	48.60
Hambantota	48.50	42.50	37.50	42.50	52.50
Pineapple					
Divulapitiya					